

CSWC Operational Period Summary 1800 July 26 2015 to 0600 July 27 2015



Satellite image of smoke produced by the Lowell and Willow incidents, 7/26/15

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Cal OES
GOVERNOR'S OFFICE
OF EMERGENCY SERVICES

SITUATION SUMMARY

Cal EOC Incident – 2014 Drought

- SOC / Inland REOC remains activated in support of 2014 Drought

Weather of Concern

- Fire Weather Watch in effect from late tonight through Wednesday morning for areas in Siskiyou County

Active Weather Warnings, Watches and Advisories by County:

http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/sto/brief/wwa_bc_cal.php

WEATHER

WEATHER SYNOPSIS BY REGION:

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA AND CENTRAL COASTAL AREAS:

Eureka Weather:

A passing shortwave could produce a few showers or thunderstorms over the Siskiyou Mountains and Trinity Alps this afternoon and evening. Strong ridging will develop next week which will prolong dry weather and generate hot temperatures for inland areas. Coastal areas should remain slightly warmer than normal with decreasing clouds through the week.

Medford Weather:

An upper level ridge of high pressure will build today and persist through the weekend. A strong surface thermal trough will develop near the coast tonight. This strong thermal trough will persist through Wednesday morning. Very hot conditions will develop Wednesday and will persist into the weekend.

Reno Weather:

Temperatures will remain seasonably mild and pleasant today. Dry conditions continue as high pressure builds through midweek. High temperatures will reach into the upper 90s and near triple digits by Thursday. Moisture will also be on the increase with a chance of thunderstorms by next weekend.

San Francisco Weather:

A significant warm-up is forecast for inland areas over the next few days and more modest temperature increases closer to the coast as strong high pressure builds in aloft and onshore flow weakens considerably. Subtropical moisture may move in from the south starting by Thursday.

WEATHER

WEATHER SYNOPSIS BY REGION:

CENTRAL CALIFORNIA AND SOUTHERN SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY:

Sacramento Weather:

Dry weather continues this week with temperatures returning to well above average as high pressure strengthens. Increasing monsoon moisture may lead to an increasing chance of mountain thunderstorms by the weekend.

Hanford Weather:

Clear skies and near normal temperatures continue today. Significantly warmer conditions are expected through the end of the week as high pressure builds. Tropical moisture will bring increased cloud cover and a chance for mountain and desert thunderstorms for the latter half of the week.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA:

Los Angeles Weather:

Low clouds are expected through Tuesday morning. High pressure will begin building Tuesday along with a warming trend that will peak by Thursday. Monsoon moisture also returns mid-week through the weekend with a slight chance of showers south of Point Conception.

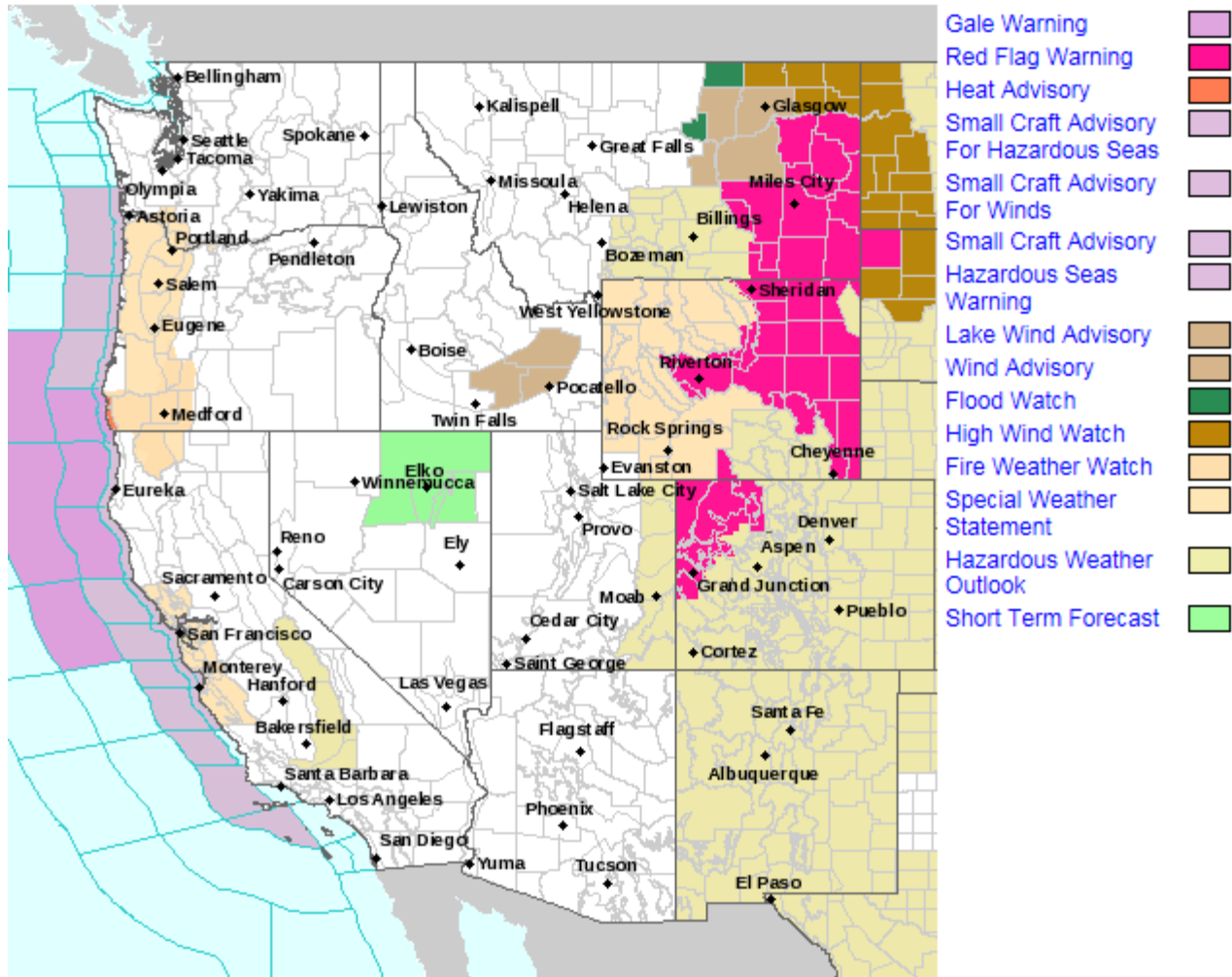
Extreme Southwestern California including Orange, San Diego, Western Riverside and Southwestern San Bernardino Counties:

A trough of low pressure moving inland along the west coast will bring slightly cooler high temperatures today locally gusty west winds in the mountains and deserts for late this afternoon through late this evening with areas of night and morning low clouds and fog extending into the western valleys.

Southeast California Weather:

Dry westerly flow aloft will keep showers and thunderstorm chances near-zero through today. Increasing southerly flow aloft will then gradually increase moisture levels and thunderstorm chances from Tuesday onward through Thursday. High pressure building will then reduce storm chances somewhat through the remainder of the week and into the weekend.

STATE WEATHER MAP



Last map update: Jul, 27th 2015 at 6:26:22 am MDT

SITUATION SUMMARY

NORTHERN OPERATIONS FIRES

Kyburz, Vegetation Fire, El Dorado County

Location: Hwy 50 X White Hall Canyon Dr. Community of Kyburz

Jurisdiction: DPA, SRA/FRA

Start Time: 07/23/15 at 1410 hours

Per CAL FIRE, Cal OES Duty Officers and ICS-209 as of 07/26/15 at 1739 hours:

- 98 acres, 90% contained
- Anticipated Containment: 07/30/15
- Resources: 202 personnel assigned

Deployments

- A Cal OES Fire Assistant Chief is deployed to the fire.

Missions

- **2015-IREOC-14272:** El Dorado County has requested an air monitor due to the Kyburz Fire. Mission coordinating.

Dam, Vegetation Fire, Lake County (FINAL)

Location: Dam Rd, City of Clearlake

Jurisdiction: State and Local DPA, SRA/LRA

Start Time: 7/25/15 at 1608 hours

Per CAL FIRE as of 7/26/15 at 2332 hours

- 15 acres, 100% contained

Wragg, Vegetation Fire, Napa and Solano and Yolo Counties

Location: Hwy 128, Markley Cove, Lake Berryessa

Jurisdiction: DPA, SRA/FRA

Start Time: 07/22/15 at 1426 hours

Per CAL FIRE, Cal OES Duty Officers and ICS-209 as of 07/27/15 at 0537 hours:

- 6,591 acres brush, 70% contained
- Structure threat has been mitigated.
- 2 structures (outbuildings) destroyed, 1 residence and 4 minor structures damaged
- Continue to construct fire lines & protect rural & and community subdivisions.
- Minimal fire activity, which is isolated to interior consumption of fuels burning within the established control lines.
- CAL FIRE Type 1 IMT 6 (Estes) assumed command on 07/23/15 at 1800 hours.
- A Fire Management Assistant Grant (FMAG) was received and reviewed by Cal OES, and then forwarded to FEMA for approval. FEMA Region IX approved the FMAG at 0415 hours on 07/23/15. Declaration #FM-5091.
- Resources: 1406 personnel assigned

Shelters

- Mariana Nut Company Lot on the corner of Grant and Railroad and the large gravel lot across the street from Taco Bell on the corner of East Grant and Matsumoto in the city of Winters have been identified as RV Parking Areas for evacuees.
- A large animal evacuation center has closed.

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NORTHERN OPERATIONS FIRES

Wragg, Vegetation Fire, Napa and Solano and Yolo Counties

Critical Infrastructure/Utilities

- No critical infrastructure impacted at this time
- Per CUEA, no power and gas lines are threatened at this time. PG&E crews on location ready to de-energize lines if needed.

Health

- An Unsafe Water Alert for Quail Canyon was issued by Solano Irrigation District on 07/23/15 advising residents of Quail Canyon to do not use tap water for drinking and cooking until further notice. Per Solano County OES the testing was completed and deemed safe to drink as of 7/25/15

Activations

- Yolo County EOC is activated at Level 1.
- City of Winters EOC is activated at Level 1.

Deployments

- A Cal OES Fire Assistant Chief is deployed to the fire and Support 5262 is on scene.
- A Cal OES Law Assistant Chief is deployed to the fire.
- 4 Cal OES PSC Technicians have deployed to the fire.

Missions

- 2015-IREOC-2015: State Air Resources Board received a request from Yolo/Solano Air Quality Management Board for an Air Monitor to be placed in the city of Winters. In process.

SITUATION SUMMARY

NORTHERN OPERATIONS FIRES

Lowell, Vegetation Fire, Nevada County

Location: Lowell Hill Rd x Chicago Park Powerhouse Rd, 2 miles NW of Gold Run

Jurisdiction: DPA, SRA

Start Time: 07/25/15 at 1437 hours

CAL FIRE and Cal OES Duty Officers and as of 07/27/15 at 0552 hours:

- 1,700 acres timber, 20% contained acreage reduction due to improved mapping
- The fire continued to burn actively through night despite the higher humidities.
- There was torching and short range crown runs creating short range spotting.
- The fire grew to the north by approximately 50 acres with a south southeast wind on the north ridge of Steephallow Creek Drainage.
- Per CUEA, there is no threat to the grid, presently.
- VLAT has been assigned
- CAL FIRE Type 1 IMT 1 has been activated
- Resources: 1,424 personnel assigned

Activations

- Nevada County EOC has resumed Level 1 activation
- Inland REOC activated at Level 2 in support of the Lowell Fire, Nevada County

Deployments

- Cal OES Law Assistant Chief is on scene at the ICP
- An Inland Region ESC is deployed to the Nevada County EOC
- 2 Cal OES PSC Technicians have deployed to the fire

Structure Threat

- Structures threatened: 1,800 single residences

Critical Infrastructure/Utilities

- Per CUEA, there is no threat to the power grid presently
- NCCIC/NCC is coordinating with COMM-ISAC service providers that have communications infrastructure within the 1 mile fire perimeter. The NCC Watch conducting GIS analysis and determined that the Lowell fire is currently threatening Long Haul Fiber, Metro Fiber, and some Wireless tower communications infrastructure. Per CUEA, there is currently no reported damage to communications infrastructure.

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NORTHERN OPERATIONS FIRES

Lowell, Vegetation Fire, Nevada County (Cont'd)

Evacuations

- Per the Cal OES LDO, the following areas are under a Mandatory Evacuation Order: Red Dog, Chalk Bluff, Lowell Hill Area.
- Cascade Shore area: Areas south of Banner Quaker Hill Road remain under Mandatory Evacuations. Areas north of Quaker Hill Road reduced to Evacuation Warning only.

Shelters

- A Red Cross Evacuation Shelter has been established at Nevada Union High School at 11761 Ridge Road, Nevada City,. Overnight population-7
- Animal Shelter: Nevada County Fair Grounds, 11228 McCourtney Road, Grass Valley.

Missions

2015-IREOC-14344: State Air Resources Board received a request from Nevada County OES for two air monitors. In process.

Queen, Vegetation Fire, Humboldt County

Location: Hwy 169 x McKinnon Hill Rd, 5 miles Southeast of Pecwan

Jurisdiction: State DPA, SRA

Per CAL FIRE and ICS 209 as of 07/27/15 at 0524 hours:

- 200 acres, timber and slash, 30% contained
- 6 separate fires. 3 have merged together; ranging from 10 acres to 50+ acres each
- Extended mop up required due to significant amounts of logging slash
- Steep difficult terrain with limited access
- Threat to commercial timberlands and Klamath River watershed
- No immediate structure threats
- Resources: 1051 personnel assigned
- A Cal OES Fire Branch Assistant Chief is assigned to this incident

SITUATION SUMMARY

SOUTHERN OPERATIONS FIRES

Willow, Vegetation Fire, Madera County, Update

Location: Willow Canyon Dr. x Rd 274 – Southeast of Bass Lake

Jurisdiction: FRA

Start Time: 7/27/15 at 0546 hours

Per CAL FIRE and ICS-209 as of 7/26/15 at 1719 hours:

- 1,121 acres, timber, 5% contained
- Steep terrain with limited access for equipment.
- Structure threat: 450 single residences, 5 Mixed commercial/residential
- South Central Sierra Interagency Incident Management Team assumed command at 1400 hours, 07/26/15
- Continued commitment of CAL FIRE air and ground resources
- A Cal OES Law Enforcement Branch Assistant Chief is deployed to this incident
- A Cal OES Fire Branch Assistant Chief is deployed to this incident
- Resources: 785 personnel assigned

Evacuations/Shelters

- Evacuations of multiple campgrounds and Central Camp (Private in-holding consisting of approximately 100 private cabins).
- A shelter opened at Oakhurst Community Center, 39800 Road 425B, Oakhurst. Population: 4
- Small animal shelter at Oakhurst Community Center, 39800 Road 425B, Oakhurst
- Large animal shelter available if needed.

SITUATION SUMMARY

SOUTHERN OPERATIONS FIRES

Cutca, Vegetation Fire, San Diego County

Location: Palomar Mountain – North of Palomar Observatory

Jurisdiction: FRA

Start Time: 7/24/15 at 1618 hours

Per CAL FIRE as of 7/27/2015 at 0542 hours

- 167 acres, 50% Contained
- Forward spread has been stopped
- Structure threat: 100 single residences, 3 Mixed commercial/residential, 3 nonresidential commercial property, 40 other minor structures
- SOCAL IMT #3 assumed command of the incident as of 7/25/15 at 1200 hours
- CAL FIRE air and ground resources assigned
- Resources: 425 personnel assigned

Lake, Vegetation Fire, San Bernardino County

Location of Incident: Jenks Lake, Hwy 38, Barton Flats area

Jurisdiction: FRA

Start Time: 06/17/15 at 1600 hours

Per CAL FIRE, Cal OES Duty Officers and ICS-209 as of 07/20/15 at 1747 hours:

- 31,359 acres, 98% contained
- Patrol and monitor. Extinguish visible smokes. Perform suppression repair
- Resources: 122 personnel assigned

Medical/Health

- Until Further Notice - The Mojave Desert Air Quality Management District has issued a Smoke Advisory for Yucca Valley and Morongo Valley due smoke from the nearby Lake Fire.

Proclamations

- San Bernardino County updated their proclamation of a local emergency with a request for a Governor's proclamation and a Presidential Declaration of a Major Disaster. On 7/10/17 at 1320 hours, the CSWC received San Bernardino's ratified proclamation for the Lake Fire

FIRE ACTIVITY



Preparedness Levels

National Preparedness Level 2

Northern California

Preparedness Level 3, Multi-Agency Coordination System MACS Mode 2

Southern California

Preparedness Level 2, Multi-Agency Coordination System MACS Mode 2

California Fire Potential & Weather Maps

Southern California 7 Day Significant Fire Potential

<http://psgeodata.fs.fed.us/7day/action/forecast/8>

Northern California 7 Day Significant Fire Potential

<http://psgeodata.fs.fed.us/7day/action/forecast/10>

California Fire Weather Map Watches and Warnings

<http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/firewx/main.php>

NWS California River Forecast Center:

<http://www.cnrfc.noaa.gov/>

CAL OES 2014 DROUGHT

Cal EOC Incident – 2014 Drought

- The SOC is activated in support of the Drought State of Emergency and continue to monitor the situation.
- The Governor issued Executive Order B-26-14 on 09/19/14, to streamline relief efforts for families with drinking water shortages due to drought, specifically through the California Disaster Assistance Act, to provide temporary water supplies to households without water for drinking and/or sanitation purposes.
- The Governor issued Executive Order B-29-15 on 04/01/15 which announced actions that will save water, increase enforcement to prevent wasteful water use, streamline the state's drought response and invest in new technologies to make California more drought resilient.
- CDAA 2014 Drought Fact Sheet and Frequently Asked Questions provided to Regions for reference and distribution.
- Cal OES Recovery continues to coordinate the Community Impacts Workgroup conference calls. Currently, the calls take place on alternating Wednesdays.
- Cal OES Recovery/Individual Assistance finalized an updated 2015 version of the drought brochure of programs and services for individuals, businesses, farmers, and ranchers. It has been put on the Governor's Drought webpage. State agencies may put the following link to the brochure on their webpage <http://ca.gov/drought/pdf/Drought-Assistance-Brochure-2015.pdf>
- Cal OES Recovery/Individual Assistance provided an initial 1,000 copies of the 2015 Drought Brochure to DWR for distribution at the State Fair beginning Friday, July 10, 2015. DWR requested an additional 1,000 copies of the brochure. This subsequent order was completed and delivered on July 21, 2015.
- Cal OES Regions (Inland, Coastal, Southern) collective OA drought call is facilitated by the SOC every Monday at 1100 hours.

CAL OES 2014 DROUGHT

Cal EOC Incident – 2014 Drought

Local Emergency Proclamations:

A total of 58 local Emergency Proclamations have been received to date from city, county, and tribal governments, as well as special districts:

- 25 Counties: El Dorado, Fresno, Glenn, Inyo, Humboldt, Kern, Kings, Lake, Madera, Mariposa, Merced, Modoc, Plumas, San Bernardino, San Joaquin, San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara, Shasta, Siskiyou, Sonoma, Sutter, Trinity, Tulare, Tuolumne, and Yuba.
- 12 Cities: City of Live Oak (Sutter County), City of Lodi (San Joaquin County), City of Manteca (San Joaquin County), City of Montague (Siskiyou County), City of Porterville (Tulare County), City of Portola (Plumas County), City of Ripon (San Joaquin County), City of San Juan Bautista (San Benito County), City of Santa Barbara (Santa Barbara County), City of Rancho Cucamonga (San Bernardino County) and City of West Sacramento (Yolo County) and City of Willits (Mendocino County).
- 9 Tribes: Cortina Indian Rancheria (Colusa County), Hoopa Valley Tribe (Humboldt County), Karuk Tribe (Siskiyou/Humboldt Counties), Kashia Band of Pomo Indians of the Stewarts Point Rancheria (Sonoma County), Picayune Rancheria of Chukchansi Indians (Madera County) Sherwood Valley Pomo Indian Tribe (Mendocino County), Tule River Indian Tribe (Tulare County), Yocha Dehe Wintun Nation (Yolo County), and Yurok Tribe (Humboldt County).
- 12 Special Districts: Carpinteria Valley Water District (Santa Barbara County), Goleta Water District (Santa Barbara County), Groveland Community Services District (Tuolumne County), Lake Don Pedro Community Services District (Mariposa Stanislaus County), Mariposa Public Utility District (Mariposa County), Meiners Oaks Water District (Ventura County), Montecito Water District (Santa Barbara County), Mountain House Community Service District (San Joaquin County), Nevada Irrigation District (Nevada County), Placer County Water Agency (Placer County), Tuolumne Utilities District (Tuolumne County), and Twain Harte Community Services District (Tuolumne County).

CAL OES MISSIONS

New Cal OES Missions

- **2015-LAW-14385 07/26/15, 2145 hours:** Santa Clara County Sheriff's Department has requested 15 Type-2 ground searchers, 2 Area K9s, 2 Trailing K9s, and 2 Human Remains Detection K9s to assist in the search for a missing 7 year old. Cal OES LDO is coordinating resources.

Ongoing Cal OES Missions

- **2013-LAW-1563 7/23/15, 1225 hours** - Plumas County Sheriffs Office (PCSO) has requested Human Remains Detection K9 to search a specific site regarding a 30 year old cold case. LDO contacted K9 Coordinator who is currently securing K9 handlers from a team located out of Santa Clara County. PCSO has asked for two separate search dates to confirm any potential findings. Timeline for search efforts: August 1 - 6, 2015, Cal OES is currently working on securing these resources. **Mission On-going**
- **2015-LAW-14276 07/24/15 1710 hours:** El Dorado County Sheriff's Office has requested 20 motorcycle and 20 quad ATV searcher resources to assist in the search of a missing person. **UPDATE:** EDSO requested assistance from AFRCC to assist with cell phone forensics, AFRCC accepted mission and assisted. EDSO requested California National Guard to assist with night vision and FLIR capabilities. CNG accepted the mission and flew the mission on Saturday night with negative results. More ground searchers and motorcycle searchers were requested for Sunday. LDO re-contacted all existing SAR units as well as neighboring counties. Sacramento, Shasta, Tehama and Marin Counties will assist. **UPDATE:** 7/27/15 at 1045 hours, EDSO is requesting CNG today to assist in the search, CNG accepted the mission and is staffing up for the mission. Cal OES LDO is coordinating resources.

CAL OES MISSIONS

Closed Cal OES Missions:

- **2015-LAW-14303 07/25/15 1306 hours:** IERCC reported a SPOT activation in Mono County SOS Activation at GPS 37.967043, -119.270883. Saddlebag lake, unsure if in water or on shore. Close to Saddlebag Camp Ground. Mono County. The registered owner is not responding to messages. Cal OES LDO is coordinating resources. **Update:** At approximately 1600 hours the device quit pinging. Sgt. Minder confirmed the MP, Armando Alvarez was on an 8-day hike with 13 Boy scouts and several adult leaders. Later, Sgt. Minder was contacted by the MP's wife who said she contacted her husband by Satellite phone and the SOS activation was accidental.
- **2015-LAW-14241 07/17/15 1812 hours:** IERCC reported a SPOT activation in Fresno County on Trimmer Springs Road at GPS: 36 53 15 N, 119 9 22W. Cal OES LDO is coordinating resources. LDO contacted IERCC and was advised the registered owner had activated his Delorme device due to injuries from a motorcycle accident. Fresno SO responded, located the subject and transported him to a local hospital.
- **2015-LAW-14225 07/17/15 1143 hours:** IERCC reported a SPOT activation in Tulare County approximately 1 mile north of the midpoint of Sacatar Trail. Cal OES LDO is coordinating resources. LDO contacted both IERCC and Inyo SO regarding SAR response for 2 18 year old males backpacking in the Sierras. Subjects were located and airlifted to the Bridgeport hospital due to dehydration.
- **2015-LAW-14213 07/17/15 0717 hours:** IERCC reported a SPOT activation in Mariposa County, Yosemite National Park, on the north shoe of Lower Cathedral Lake at GPS: 37 50 50 N, 119 25 27. The device owner reports that he is very ill and unable to walk out. Cal OES LDO is coordinating resources. YNP personnel located and rescued the subject. Subject was sent to a local area hospital. for treatment Delorme device was silenced.





Mission:

We protect lives and property, build capabilities, and support our communities for a resilient California.

We achieve our mission by serving the public through effective collaboration in preparing for, protecting against, responding to, recovering from, and mitigating the impacts of all hazards and threats.